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For: HOME GATEWAY FOR VIDEO AND DATA DISTRIBUTION FROM VARIOUS TYPES OF HEADEND

FACILITIES AND INCLUDING DIGITAL VIDEO RECORDING FUNCTIONS

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT



Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§1.97-1.98, the undersigned would like to make the following prior art references of record in the above-identified patent application. The undersigned believes that some of these references may be material to the examination of this application and in respect of which there may be a duty to disclose in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.56.

While this Information Disclosure Statement may contain material information pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.56, it is not intended to constitute an admission that any individual reference referred to herein is prior art to the invention disclosed and claimed in the above-identified patent application.

Each reference listed herein may be accompanied by an explanation of its relevance.

While this explanation is believed to generally reflect the contents of the references which the undersigned believes a reasonable examiner might consider relevant and material to the examination of the above-identified patent application, it is not intended that the examiner rely on the description as unfailingly accurate or complete. A copy of each reference is enclosed for

the express purpose of providing the examiner with an opportunity to perform an independent evaluation to arrive at an independent assessment of its relevance and materiality, if any, to the claimed subject matter.

Cited Art

<u>Hendricks et al.</u>, U.S. 6,181,335, filed 9/21/98, issued 1/30/2001: Teaches hardware and software for use at the television and interface box at the user's home which creates a user interface for a user friendly menu based approach to accessing programs and services in video delivery service.

<u>Van Wie et al.</u>, U.S. 6,240,185, filed 2/10/99, issued 5/29/2001: Teaches use of steganographic techniques to invisibly transmit rights management control information invisibly in an information signal transmitted on an insecure channel.

<u>Freeman et al.</u>, U.S. 5,861,881, filed 2/8/96, issued 1/19/1999: Teaches an interactive computer system by which computers using an input device, computer or television may interact with a fully interactive television program received from a broadcast transmission source or local or external storage.

Hwang, U.S. 6,049,823, filed 11/1/96, issued 4/11/2000: Teaches a system for providing on-demand interactive multimedia services for a community of users. Programs are delivered to each user on a TV or on a LAN via a computer through an interactive TV channel created and controlled by a personal computer or high end workstation. A direct access on demand workgroup server Channel processors can simultaneously access programs stored on a hard disk array using a no-overhead server technology.

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